

AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A fluid connection assembly for establishing a connection with a fluid supply pipe extending from a rear face of a panel to a front face of the panel, the assembly comprising;

a ~~fluid conduit~~~~connection member~~ including an interior passage engageable with the fluid supply pipe ~~at the front of the panel~~ and a threaded portion; and

~~means for connection of the fluid supply pipe to the connection member, comprising~~

a support member receivable onto the fluid supply pipe and into an opening through the panel, the support member including a recess ending in a face followed by a sleeve with an opening for receiving the fluid supply pipe,

a rotatable sleeve receivable onto the fluid supply pipe and through the opening in the support member, the support sleeve including a flange;

a threaded member supported by between the flange of the rotatable sleeve and the face of the support member, and the threaded member rotatable relative to the support member for engaging the ~~connection member~~ threaded portion of the fluid conduit, and

a compression fitting operable from the front of the panel and comprising a sealing element deformable responsive to tightening of the threaded member onto the threaded portion of the fluid conduit to establish a seal between the fluid supply pipe and the ~~fluid conduit~~~~connection member.~~

2. (CANCELLED)

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The fluid connection assembly according to claim 2, wherein the ~~connection member~~ fluid conduit is adapted to have a shower head or hose connected to it.

4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid connection assembly according to claim 2 including a cover member, adapted to engage with the assembly and to conceal the assembly.

5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid connection assembly according to claim 1, wherein the support member comprises a plate portion abutting the front face of the panel and the recess comprises a cylindrical recess that extends past the front face of the panel toward the rear face of the panel.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The fluid connection assembly according to claim 5, ~~including a rotatable sleeve disposed between the fluid supply pipe and the sleeve of the support plate, wherein the flange of the rotatable sleeve includes a flange that corresponds with a flange of the threaded member for holding~~ holds the threaded member in a desired axial position relative to the support plate while providing for rotation of the threaded member relative to the support plate.

7. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid connection assembly according to claim 6, wherein the sealing element is disposed about the fluid supply pipe between the rotatable sleeve on a first axial end and the connection member.

8. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid connection assembly according to claim 6, wherein the threaded member comprises a threaded nut including an inwardly extending flange corresponding to the flange of the rotatable sleeve for holding the desired axial position of the threaded member onto the support.

9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid connection assembly according to claim 1, wherein the connection member comprises a fluid conduit elbow having external threads on each end.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A fluid connection assembly for establishing fluid communication with a fluid supply pipe extending through an opening in a fixed panel, the fluid connection assembly comprising:

a support attachable to a the panel, wherein the support includes a recess ~~that terminates at an~~ receivable within the opening for a the fluid supply pipe and a plate extending radially outward from the recess;

a threaded member supported on the support and rotatable relative to the support;

a conduit including a threaded portion engageable with the threaded member for ~~directing water to a hydraulic device~~ establishing fluid communication with the fluid supply pipe; and

a seal ~~for assembly to the fluid supply pipe~~ that is compressible responsive to the threaded portion of the conduit being threadably received engaged by the threaded member.

11. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid connection assembly as recited in claim 10, including a sleeve disposed between the fluid supply pipe and the opening in the support for rotatably supporting the threaded member.

12. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid connection assembly as recited in claim 11, wherein the seal is disposed around the fluid supply pipe and between the sleeve and the conduit.

13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid connection assembly as recited in claim 10, wherein the support includes a face portion that abuts the panel and the recess comprises a cylindrical portion that extends through the panel about the fluid supply pipe.

14. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid connection assembly as recited in claim 13, wherein the face portion is attachable to the panel.